

Tree Circumference

Field Guide

Task

Make circumference measurements for your selected dominant and co-dominant trees. Use the same trees you measured for tree height (in the same order).

What You Need

☐ Flexible measuring tape

☐ Pen or pencil

☐ *Tree Circumference Data Sheet*

☐ Species ID keys and/or other local species guides

In the Field

1. With the flexible tape measure, measure from the ground at the base of the tree to a height of 1.35 m up on the tree (called Breast Height).
2. Measure the circumference in *centimeters* at Breast Height.
3. Record this on the *Tree Circumference Data Sheet*.
4. Repeat this for each of the trees you measured for height.

